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"The challenge for the international community and for developing country policy makers in the new millennium is to address effectively the shortcomings of the external environment and the constraints of underdevelopment in order to put the developing countries back on the right track for integration into the globalizing world economy on an equitable basis."
– Report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to UNCTAD X

The opening event of UNCTAD X arises from an invitation by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to a group of distinguished experts to reflect on trade and development issues and to present key findings that would be important as a context for decisions to be taken at the Conference.

The invited experts were asked to set out the main lessons that the intellectual community has learned about trade and development issues over the past 50 years, and consider what elements have been missing from past approaches and what implications this has had for development strategies and international arrangements and organizations, including the role of UNCTAD. Each expert was invited to write on a particular subject area within the ambit of the international economy and development.

Under the chairmanship of José Antonio Ocampo, Executive Secretary of ECLAC, the experts will highlight key messages from the papers that they have prepared. A brief question and answer session will follow.

Please see overleaf for a complete list of the papers prepared in this context.

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Copies of these papers will be made available on the web site at: **http://www.unctad-10.org/index_en.htm**. They may also be obtained from the Editorial Assistant, MDPB, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland; or at e-mail address: nicole.winch@unctad.org

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